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## Banks.

### NOTICE

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250, at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent, per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank is marked *On Hongkong Savings' Bank* and forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION;

JOHN WALTER,  
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, June 7, 1886. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000  
RESERVE FUND.....\$4,500,000  
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION.....\$ 200,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$7,500,000

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JOHN WALTER,  
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 23, 1886. 947

## Intimations.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF, GODOWN AND CARGO BOAT COMPANY.

THE Company will receive STEAMERS and SAILING VESSELS alongside their Wharves at Kowloon, and Land Re-ship, and/or Store GENERAL CARGES, SILK, OPIUM, COTTON, GRAINS, MINERALS, in First-Class Granite Godowns at Cheap Rates. Also Goods in specially constructed Sheds.

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For further Particulars, apply to  
W. KERFOOT HUGHES,  
Agent,  
Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, February 17, 1886. 331

SAILOR'S HOME.  
ANY Cast-off Clothing, Books, or  
A Papers will be thankfully received  
at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1886.

## Intimations.

VICTORIA LAUNDRY COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

### NOTICE

A EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of  
SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the  
HONGKONG HOTEL on TUESDAY, the  
26th Instant, at 3 p.m. in the Afternoon,  
for the purpose of deciding the future of  
the Company.

R. C. HURLEY,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, October 16, 1886. 1079

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1885.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby requested  
to send in to this Office a List of their  
Contributions of Premium for the year end-  
ing 31st December last, in Order that the  
PROPORTION OF PROFIT for that year  
be Paid as BONUS to Contributors  
may be arranged. Returns not sent in  
before the 30th November next, will be  
made up by the Company, and no subse-  
quent Claims or Alterations will be allowed.

By Order of the Directors,  
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, October 1, 1886. 1074

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT  
EIGHT PER CENT. LOAN or 1884.

THE INTEREST due 15th day of Octo-  
ber current on BONDS of the above  
LOAN will be Paid at the OFFICE of this  
Corporation on and after that date.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION,  
Agents Issuing the Loan,  
JOHN WALTER,  
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, October 14, 1886. 1067

GRIFFITH'S  
NEW VIEWS OF HONGKONG

NOW READY,  
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OF THE  
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At the same Moderate Charges.

Hongkong, June 9, 1886. 957

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPAO DOCK  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are

respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of

the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the

HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found

necessary, Communication with the Under-

signed is requested, when immediate steps

will be taken to rectify the cause of dis-  
satisfaction.

D. GILLIES,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1886. 1458

CHAS. J. GAUPP & CO.,

Chronometer Watch & Clock Makers,

Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.

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METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.

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RUITHER'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASSES.

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ENGLISH SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE.

CHRISTIE & CO.'S ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE.

GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY.

in great variety.

D. GILLIES,

Secretary.

Hongkong, September 16, 1886. 1458

HONGKONG & WHAMPAO DOCK  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONTINUATION OF THEIR CONTEM-

BUTIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER,

IN ORDER THAT THE DISTRIBUTION

OF THE PROFITS RESERVED FOR CONTRIBU-

TORS MAY BE ARRANGED.

RETURNS NOT RENDERED

PRIOR TO THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER

NEXT, WILL BE ADJUSTED BY THE COMPANY,

AND NO CLAIMS OR ALTERATIONS WILL BE SUB-  
SEQUENTLY ADMITTED.

JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO.,

General Managers,

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, October 15, 1886. 1069

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUSES FOR THE YEAR 1885.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Com-

pany are requested to furnish the Under-

signed with a List of their Contem-

butions for the year ending 31st December

last, in order that the distribution

of the profits reserved for contribu-

tors may be arranged.

Returns not rendered

prior to the thirteenth day of November

next, will be adjusted by the Company,

and no claims or alterations will be sub-

sequently admitted.

For further Particulars, apply to

W. KERFOOT HUGHES,

Agent,

Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, February 17, 1886. 331

DISCOUNTS TO MISSIONARIES AND FAMILIES.

SOLE ADDRESS:

2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

REMEDIOS & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, October 15, 1886. 1073

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, January 19, 1886. 96

## Business Notices.

### CHRISTMAS CARDS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. have Received their FIRST PARCEL of

### CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS.

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NEW DESIGNS IN PRANG'S ARTISTIC PRODUCTIONS.—HAND-PAINTED SATIN, NEW FROSTED, SOFT SOAPS, BOOK MARKERS, ALBUMS OF POETRY, FLORAL, FRENCHED, TABLE SCREENS, and a variety of FUNNY SUBJECTS.

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Smoked HAMS.  
Golden SYRUP in Gallon Tins.  
Assorted SYRUPS.  
CUTTING'S Table FRUITS.  
ASPARAGUS.  
Queen OLIVES.  
Sausage MEAT.  
CAVIAR.  
Potted MEATS.  
MACKEREL in Bib Tins.  
Eagle Brand MILK.  
Lamb's TONGUES.  
Green CORN.  
Baked BEANS.  
BRAWN.  
A LARGE ASSORTMENT  
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CHARCOAL IRONS.  
KEROSINE LAMPS.  
NONPARCEL KEROSINE OIL.

WINES, &amp;c.

SPARKLING SAUMUR, Pts. & Qts. @ \$11 and \$12.  
CUP CHAMPAGNE, Pts. & Qts. @ \$12 and \$14.  
SAUCONY'S SHERRY.  
SAUCONY'S INVALID PORT.  
ROYAL GLENLEDE WHISKY.  
OLD BOURBON WHISKY.  
HERING'S CHERRY CORDIAL.  
ASSORTED LEQUEURS.  
DRAUGHT, ALE and PORTER.  
&c., &c., &c.

THE UNUSUAL ASSORTMENT  
of

OILMAN'S STORES,  
at the  
Lowest Possible Prices  
FOR CASH.

MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.  
Hongkong, July 1, 1886. 1268

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JULES MUMM & Co.'s  
CHAMPAGNE,  
Quarts... \$20 per Case of 1 doz.  
Pints... \$21 " 2 "  
Dubois Frères & de Gorme & Co.'s  
BORDEAUX CLARETS AND  
WHITE WINES.

Baxter's Celebrated 'Harley Bree'  
WHISKY.—\$7 per Case of 1 doz.  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Hongkong, July 18, 1884. 1187

NOW ON SALE.

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DENNYS & MOSSOP.  
Hongkong, January 26, 1886. 1262

TO LET.

ROOMS in 'COLLEGE CHAMBERS,'  
No. 16, HOLLYWOOD ROAD.  
Apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, September 23, 1886. 632

TO LET.

FROM the 1st September next, the Com-  
mendation PREMISES known as the  
P. & O. OFFICES, lately in the occupa-  
tion of the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK-  
ING CORPORATION.

For further Particulars, apply to the  
Undersigned.

E. L. WOODIN,  
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, August 21, 1886. 1014

## To-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL

The Co.'s Steamship  
*Telamon*  
Capt. JACKSON, will be  
dispatched as above TO-  
MORROW, the 24th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, October 23, 1886. 2014

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR AMOY AND TAMSUL.

The Co.'s Steamship  
*Halloo*,  
Capt. ROACH, will be  
dispatched for the above  
Ports on MONDAY, the 25th Instant, at  
3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, October 23, 1886. 2016

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW.  
(Taking Crew & Passengers at through rates  
for CHEFOE, TIENTSIN, NEW-  
CHIANG, HANKOW and Ports on  
the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship  
*Louisa*,  
Capt. SAWIN, will be  
dispatched as above on  
WEDNESDAY, the 27th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, October 23, 1886. 2015

THE BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SINGAPORE AND LONDON.

The British Steamer  
*Benicia*,  
Capt. THOMSON, will be  
dispatched as above on  
or about the 27th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, October 23, 1886. 2019

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship  
*Titan*,  
Capt. BROWN, will be  
dispatched as above on  
SATURDAY, the 30th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, October 23, 1886. 2013

CITY HALL.

NOTICE.

THE Annual General MEETING of  
SHAREHOLDERS in and SUB-  
SCRIBERS to the above INSTITUTION will  
be held in the LIBRARY, at Noon, on  
SATURDAY, the 30th day of October  
instant.

W. H. R. MOSSOP,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, October 23, 1886. 2018

DEPARTED.

For Peking, from Bangkok, 5  
Chinees.

For Haikow, from Coast Ports, 66 Chinees.

For Yangtze, from Shanghai, Mr. Mansell,  
and 75 Chinese.

For Tigran, for Hongkong; from Yokohama,  
Mrs and Miss Crawford, Messrs G.  
Caldwell, Adler, Dr. F. A. Harris, Mr and  
Mrs Burnister and native servant, Major  
Harrison, Mrs. Wai Chee and child, Mrs  
Ah Wai and child, Messrs Pan Lai, Chan  
King Choy, Lou Lok Sung and Leong Pan;  
from Hugo, Mr and Mrs Mayne, Dr. Hunter-  
ford, and Mr Fletcher; from Nagasaki,  
Assistant-Paymaster L. le Bunn, R.N., Mr  
F. Sieckmann, and Mr Gennissen. From  
Yokohama: for Singapore, Mr G. Wilman  
and native servant, and Mr A. Deaker; for  
Brindisi, Messrs E. Edards and Pictoria  
Bennett; for London, Mr F. J. Board,  
R.N. From Hugo: from Singapore, Mr  
and Mrs Kiuchi.

DEPARTED.

For Foochow, for Shanghai, Mr Robt  
Shewan, and Miss Kirby, and 30 Chinese.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

October 22, 1886.

*Phra Chem Kiao*, British steamer, 1,012  
W. H. Water, Bangkok Oct 11, and  
Hoshou 21, Rice.—*Yuen Fat Hong*.

October 23—

*Kuang Sing*, British steamer, 98, Wm  
Wood, Swatow October 22, General.—  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

*Bismarck*, German flagship, 2,800, Capt.  
Kuhn, Chefoo October 17.

*Carola*, German corvette, 2,130, Captain  
Aschauer, Chao-tien October 17.

*Hampshire*, British steamer, 1,690, Kur-  
ruah, Kobe October 16, Coal and General.—  
Russett & Co.

*Halloo*, British steamer, 271, J. S.  
Rouch, Tamsui October 18, Amoy 21, and  
Swatow 22, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.

*Olga*, German corvette, 2,167, Captain  
Bendermann, Chefoo October 16.

*Yangtze*, British steamer, 814, F. Schulz,  
Shanghai October 20, General.—SIEMSEN &  
Co.

*Thetis*, British steamer, 2,600, F. H.  
Seymour, Yokohama October 16, Mails and  
General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

*Johnna*, German barque, 846, R. Bur-  
gham June 26, General.—CARLOWITZ & Co.

DEPARTURES.

October 23—

*Pryce*, for Whampoa.

*Kingfisher*, for Singapore and Bombay.

*P. King*, for Shanghai.

*Portuguese*, for Amoy.

*Fiducia*, for Clafon.

*Arras*, for Asparau, for Singapore and Calcutta.

*Yangtze*, for Whampoa.

*Zafira*, for Amoy and Manila.

CLEARED.

India, for New York.

Signal, for Hoitow.

Alvion, for Hoitow and Pakhoi.

Maria, for Haiphong.

Actis, for Haiphong.

Provo, for Coast Ports.

For SWATOW & SHANGHAI.

Per Lee Sung, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednes-  
day, the 27th inst.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

Per Tschern, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday,  
the 28th inst.

MAILS will close:

For SAIGON.

Per Provo, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the  
24th inst., instead of as previously  
notified.

For HOITOW & PAKHOL.

Per Alvion, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the  
24th inst.

For AMOY & TAMSUL.

Per Halloo, at 2.30 p.m., on Monday,  
the 25th inst.

For SWATOW & SHANGHAI.

Per Lee Sung, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday,  
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ARRIVED.

India, for New York.

Signal, for Hoitow.

Alvion, for Hoitow and Pakhoi.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

The N.C.D. News believes the British vessel *Minghong* which was in collision with H.E. Li Hung-chang's yacht, was so badly damaged that she is not worth repairing.

By a letter received on the 13th inst from Peking, the N.C.D. News learns that the visit of Sir John Wardlaw to Korea has been postponed until the Spring of 1887.

We read in the N.C.D. News of the 14th instant that the steamer *Ingober* was put up for sale by auction on the 13th instant, but the highest bid being only Tls. 5,100, she was not sold.

The N.C.D. News of the 14th instant says:—At five minutes to six o'clock last night a very peculiar sight was witnessed from the Wall of Gau. The moon was rising, but was obscured by clouds in such a manner that the picture which could be seen presented the appearance of the hull, masts, yards, funnel and funnels of a steamer in bright gold. This illusion lasted a couple of minutes.

There have been a few changes in the commands of the C.M.S.N. Co.'s steamers. Captain Paterson, of the *Fuyue*, has gone back to the *Mefuo*; Captain Warwick, of the *Kia-pieh*, is now in the *Fuyue*, while Captain Sutton, of the *Yungming*, which is to be laid up, will take command of the *Kiangtze* on his return from Wuchow. The *Kiangtze* will put on the Shanghai-Wuchow line. The *Fuyue* has been taken off the Shanghai-Foochow line for the present and sent to Chunking to load rice for Canton, while the *Hsinhsin* has been retired from the Shanghai-Tientsin line and takes the *Fuyue*'s place.—N.C.D. News.

The Shanghai Mercury says of the New Italian Consul for Shanghai—Chevalier Tessari has been appointed Consul for Italy at this port, and is shortly expected here. The Chevalier's Consular career has been a rather long one. Born in the Venetian provinces, he graduated Doctor of Law at the University of Padua in 1862. Entering the Consular Service in 1867, his first appointment was as Attaché to the Consular Office at Trieste. In 1869 he was appointed to the Consulate at Amoy, Vice-Consul of the 3rd class, where he remained till 1876, when he was transferred to Lima, Peru, and to Rosario d'Anto, Eq., Argentina, in 1872—appointed Consul at Rangoon. He was made a Chorister of the Crown of Italy in July 1886. We understand the new Consul is an accomplished linguist, speaking all the European languages fluently.

The Nagasaki Imbroglio.—Says the *Rising Sun* of the 13th instant:—Another week has passed since the Chinese took occasion in the native port of making eight strokes in all—probably without the slightest sign of being definitely decided to what extent the respective parties were to blame in the matter, or how to finally adjust the affair. The commissioners met almost daily at the Koshikisan, where witnesses from one side and then the other, are examined and their evidence discussed. As we have already stated, at the present rate of progress, considering the difficulty each party has to contend with, in that one entirely discredits the other, they may continue examining and discussing evidence in the matter until the end of the year, when it will still have to be decided by other parties, remain an open question for future settlement, along with other matters which each party is only waiting a favourable opportunity to arrange to his own advantage. It is rumoured that a Chinese merchant, connected with the Tai Shou Company, was severely censured and deported to China by his Consul on the 5th instant. As he was officially ordered to produce a number of witnesses who could testify in favour of the Chinese sailors in connection with the recent riot, and failed to do so, it is surmised that he has been degraded in consequence.

**FRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR.**  
That there is not the ghost of a foundation for the wicked and malicious charges made against the American Consul here, and that those among us who know what the record of his official and private life has been, well know that he will come out of the fire scathless.

That Consul Withers is sure of support and sympathy from the community of Hongkong, and that we hope soon to welcome him back in renewed health and spirits.

That the local Government are still said to be acting with vigour and decision in the matter of the late violation of our territorial laws by the Chinese.

That it is imperative the Chinese authorities be made to understand that such irregular proceedings cannot be tolerated, and that they must punish the parties concerned and hand back the prisoner.

That the conduct of the steam-launch men is a fit subject for inquiry.

That no more official promises of apology should be accepted, but that a properly-worded and approved Proclamation from the Viceroy should be posted throughout the length and breadth of the Canton Province.

That the Margary proclamation had a good effect throughout the Empire.

That though we are anxious and willing to cultivate friendly relations with our neighbours, we must have our territory respected while we respect theirs.

That, in view of the appalling state of the drains and the apparent helplessness of the Sanitary Board, it is to be hoped that what Mr MacEwen calls the "duck's back" style of official action will speedily be brought to an end.

That some of the official members of the Sanitary Board are adepts at official correspondence, but that practical sanitation has as yet made but little way.

That if the Board would but stoop to look-out details, instead of considering and discussing grand schemes that will take years to carry out, the Colony will benefit thereby.

That it would be interesting to know how far the cost of the new wall near Beaconsfield (that with the savoury niche), would have gone, to furnish improved drainage even of a temporary character.

That Mr MacEwen should be more careful that in one line of his recent letter to say that anonymous writing has no effect, and in the next to say that publicity is the one thing needful.

That it has been proved by our constitutional history that, under a *non de plume*, greater weight is often given to a public letter than would be given to that same letter over the name of its writer.

That, if I mistake not, not many years ago Mr MacEwen had to thank an anonymous pen for first drawing special attention to him as a desirable candidate for the public position he now fills so well.

That Mr Danby would have done more good had he been better assured of his facts in regard to the alleged inhumanity of the Police.

That if he had taken the numbers of the Chin to boats, their licenses could then have been dealt with.

That an European Policeman should always be stationed upon Peader's Wharf, when possible.

That the Babel at the Wyndham Street Hydrant is surely not entirely beyond the power of the Police Force.

That the chuck given by the Chief Justice to the disreputable "dummy" business at Holloway and elsewhere, will be approved by the commercial community generally.

That the example of your correspondent "More Water" should be more generally followed by residents who are of an observant nature.

That a great many reasons exist in this small Colony why complaints and grievances should be put forward in an anonymous way.

That the organization of the Fire Brigade has improved of late.

That the Postal Regulations regarding Parcels work well, and that the Postmaster General's printed notices are duly appreciated, especially by the fair sex when boxes are expected from Home.

That the Jockey Club Stewards recently elected will command the confidence of the public, and ensure a successful Training Season and an enjoyable Race Meeting.

That the Alice Memorial Fete promises to be one of the biggest things of the kind ever seen in this Colony, and it is certain to be a great success.

That it is a matter of some speculation what the result will be of the application of the peculiar laws of our French neighbours to a German steamer, and how the Iron Chancellor will view the matter.

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That it should be a qualification of membership that every man who can sing or play, should be called upon to do so.

That the story set in circulation, as to the formation of a bar that will render the harbour of Port Lazaroff useless, is pure and unadulterated nonsense.

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That the reason why the Russians decided upon a costly Floating Dock at Vladivostok was that it could be moved Southward.

That they have abundance of stone and labour at their hand and good sites for a stone dock at Vladivostok, but that a Floating Dock would move more easily than a stone structure.

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That no better place seems to be available, as Tashima is Japanese territory and is not now in the market.

That nothing more has been heard of our guns, torpedo-boats, or direct telegraph cable, though the clouds are gathering both East and West.

That no little surprise has been expressed at my suggestion that in at least six stocks (Bank, China Traders, Hongkong Fires, Docks, Sugars, and Punjims) an advance of 10 per cent. might be seen before the end of the year.

That if those who have expressed the most surprise had taken the trouble to read the conditional nature of the suggestion they would have seen that I stated "if conclusions from all known and reported surroundings are correct, and barring unforeseen losses during November and December."

That, to particularize and take the stock in the order given, —

That if it became evident that "Banks" can clearly pay the £2 without drawing on the Equalisation Fund, the present price of 162 per cent. will probably be 10 per cent. higher on the strength of that dividend and for other reasons.

That "China Traders" are understood to have done extremely well for the first half of their current year, and that with the least enquiry no sellers would probably be found under 100 per cent. advance on the current rate of 70 to 71.

That "Hongkong Fires" are generally regarded as absurdly high, yet the very cause that has brought about the inflated value may succeed in raising them a further 10 per cent. before the year is out, if no serious fire takes place.

That "Docks" are already 2½ per cent higher, and will assuredly go to the 10 per cent. by the fact of the short selling that is an open secret.

That "Sugars" have already somewhat improved, and will be at 110 by the end of the year, if a dividend is at all assured.

That for 10 per cent. in "Punjims," read \$10, of which \$2 can now be secured, for if there is anything in their prospects, that anything will take the form of the shares being at nearly 30 than the present 9, or the probable 20 on 31st December.

That these details are entered into to justify an opinion which has been generally questioned.

BROWNIE.

THE ITALIAN CONVENT BAZAAR.

A bazaar was opened this afternoon at the Italian Convent on behalf of the orphans under the care of the sisters. A great good work has been carried on quietly and unostentatiously for years at the Italian Convent, by gathering in and training little outcast children. The Convent is entirely dependent on the labours of its associates and the kindness of friends interested in their work; and we hope the effort made this afternoon to add to the funds will be a successful one.

Few who have not visited the buildings and seen the devotion with which the sisters give themselves to this work and the wonderful results they have produced out of the most hopeless cases, can form an idea of the benefits which this institution is conferring.

It is two years since a bazaar, which is generally a yearly event, has been held at the Convent. During the interval a large collection of beautiful useful articles has been made. These were laid out on about a dozen tables superintended by a number of ladies in the Colony. The stalls were filled chiefly with ladies' needlework wrought by the children in the Convent. The numerous cushions, embroidery work, flower baskets and nicknacks of various sorts are a remarkable testimony of the skill and taste which has been developed in the children. Some of the work is of entirely Chinese design and is striking by its quaintness and characteristic beauty. Besides the work of the scholars there are on the stalls some handsome presents made by ladies and gentlemen in the Colony, some of which will likely have to be disposed of by lottery.

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Several other witnesses were called who gave somewhat similar version of the occurrence.

After a sitting of four hours the jurors returned a verdict of murder against the prisoner Young Afuk.

HONGKONG C. & HONGKONG FOOCHOW TEAM.

This match was resumed this afternoon. The Foochow team completed their first innings for a total of 160, 7 less than their opponents.

Of this total, nearly one half was made by Dr Scanlon, in whose absence

73 were included 11 threes and 2 fours.

The next highest figure was reached by H.

E. Whyte, who scored 83. The others,

with the exception of Lloyd, who got a double figure, were very specially got rid of.

Dick and Travess divided the bowling honours, each taking four wickets.

The Club then began their second innings. The scoring was very steady. No one made a large score, but the most managed to get double figures. There was just time to finish this innings before time was called.

One member of the team, however, was absent.

The following are the scores:

HONGKONG FOOCHOW TEAM.

A. H. Jackson, 1. Dick, 11.

E. O. Smith, 1. Stokes, 1. D. B. McLean, 1.

G. S. Coxon, 1. S. H. Stewart, 1.

C. S. Berney, 23. D. T. Travess, 1.

Major Riddell, 1. Dick, 1.

H. E. Whyte, 83. S. H. Stewart, 1.

W. P. McDonald, 1. S. H. Stewart, 1.

A. Shepherd, 1. D. T. Travess, 1.

Capt. Porter, not out, 1.

Exams, 19.

Total, 160.

FOOCHOW ANALYSTS.

Names, 1. Davis, 1. B. McLean, 1.

H. W. Dick, 100. 2. 4. 7. 4.

E. O. Smith, 23. 3. 2. 3

## TOWN AND COUNTRY TALES.

AN UNISONED TELEGRAM.

"O Dara, I do wish those sixpenny telegrams had never been invented!" exclaimed Mrs Cheshington, in despairing tones; "people are always forgetting to sign their names now! Last night I had one—an excuse from somebody who couldn't come to my dance, and I don't know yet who it was; for I couldn't remember if every one I had asked was there."

"And isn't that signed?" inquired Lady Daring, with a significant glance at the telegram which Mrs Cheshington held open in her hand.

"'No,' said that lady, hastily folding it up.

"Is it of importance?"

"No—yes—I really can't tell, as I don't know who sent it, can I?" inquired Mrs Cheshington, with some anxiety.

"I should have thought the message would have told you something," said Lady Daring dryly.

"What a remark, she saw at once, was made. Mrs Cheshington did not hear her. Her whole attention was given to two letters, which had been brought to her with the telegram. She did not open them; and this was not mere politeness, for she and Lady Daring were bosom friends between whom such etiquette was not observed. She left them on the table, and regarded, with a disturbed and anxious look.

The bosom friends were having five o'clock tea together in Mrs Cheshington's pretty drawing-room in Wilton Place. They had been talking fast and finding much amusement in each other's society until this unsigned telegram came. From that moment Mrs Cheshington lapsed into a state of anxiety which she could not conceal, and from which the most heroic efforts were inadequate to rouse her. After half an hour of this, Lady Daring yawned.

"Nobody's coming in, apparently," she said—"not even Captain Loveson."

Mrs Cheshington flushed, and was evidently angry with herself for doing so. She answered with a sort of bravado.

"No, not even Captain Loveson."

Lady Daring laughed as she rose from her chair.

"He's a dear fellow, Dora, and all the women envy you!"

Mrs Cheshington had been accustomed to hear this sort of thing, and rather to like it. But it did not seem to please her.

The flush darkened on her face, and she drew her brows together.

"It's a pity," said Lady Daring. "It's very warm; I really think there must be thunder in the air!" And with a merry laugh she left the drawing-room, and went down-stairs to her carriage.

Mrs Cheshington sat still in her chair, and looked at the two letters. She was a very pretty woman, and she dressed perfectly. "All the women," as Lady Daring said, envied her, not only because Captain Loveson adored her. She was young and bright, had a charming house, the entrance to the gay and not very particular set which lies next to the cream of society, and was expected at any moment to be taken up by very great people, and become part of the cream itself. Last, but not least, she had the best and kindest of husbands, a man who devoted his days to making enormous sums of money in the City for her to spend, and his evenings to taking her about if she chose. He was gentlemanly, well connected, a lofty specimen of the City man. And poor Dora Cheshington did not care twopence for him, while Captain Loveson had the whole of her light and frivolous heart. But he respected her husband, and was grateful to him, though she had got used to Lady Daring and others of the frisky sort chafing her back, and she could have died or run away if she thought it likely such chaff would reach Mr Cheshington's ears. And now she was frightened. She began to fear it must have done so; and her foolish heart resented it seemed to be in her throat, and to be choking her.

The two letters on the table before her were addressed in familiar handwriting. One was from her husband, one from Captain Loveson. Presently she opened her hand, which had closed on the telegram, and spread that terrible pink paper out.

"Burn my letter unopened, I implore you."

She looked at the officer it was given in at West Central. What was there to guide her? Her husband was about town often on the day; as to Captain Loveson, of course he might telegraph from any part of London."

Why should her husband have written to her at all? She could not guess. He had gone out that morning cheerful and kindly as usual. Her spirit seemed to faint within her. That this City was an awful place for scandal she well knew. Her might have heard her talked about; or last night had he noticed Captain Loveson's attention to her, and not having the courage to speak and make a scene, had written from his office? Perhaps that letter contained her doom—perhaps she would have to leave her home and her happy life; and Arthur had repented, perhaps, of the hardness of the written words, and determined to speak instead. "O, what a tame, guilty conscience is Dora! She had put all its horrors into her letter; and the Cheshingtons are richer than ever."—*The World*.

GREAT ENGAGEMENT IN WALES ABOUT A MARVELOUS CURSE.

LIVING SIX YEARS WITHOUT GOING TO BED.

Mr EPPON.—While spending a few days at the pleasant seaside town of Aberystwyth, Cardiganshire, Wales, I heard related what seemed to me either a fabulous story or a marvellous cure.

The story was that a poor sufferer from a weak heart, and who had not been able to lie down in bed for six long years, given up to die by all the Doctors, had been speedily cured by some Patent Medicine. It was related with the more implicit confidence from the circumstance, as was said, that the Victim of Llanystwyth was familiar with the facts, and could vouch for the truth of the report.

Having a little curiosity to know how such stories grow in travelling, I took the liberty at the village of Llanystwyth to call upon the Vicar, the Rev. T. Evans, and to enquire about this wonderful cure.

Though a total stranger to him, he

had a kindred sympathy with his wife,

and his wife most graciously entertained me in a half-hour's conversation, principally touching the case of Mr. Pugh, in which they seemed to take a deep and sympathetic interest, having been familiar with his sufferings, and now rejoiced in the success to them a most remarkable cure.

She could guess why Captain Loveson wrote to her. Mr Cheshington had told her all about it! She could not guess. He had gone out that morning cheerful and kindly as usual. Her spirit seemed to faint within her. That this City was an awful place for scandal she well knew. Her might have heard her talked about; or last night had he noticed Captain Loveson's attention to her, and not having the courage to speak and make a scene, had written from his office? Perhaps that letter contained her doom—perhaps she would have to leave her home and her happy life; and Arthur had repented, perhaps, of the hardness of the written words, and determined to speak instead. "O, what a tame, guilty conscience is Dora! She had put all its horrors into her letter; and the Cheshingtons are richer than ever."—*The World*.

On my return to Aberystwyth, I was impressed with a desire to see Mr. Pugh, whose reputation stood so high. His farm is called Pencaen-Mawr, signifying 'above the dingle,' situated near the summit of a smooth round hill, overlooking a beautiful valley in which is situated the lovely ivy-manied Church of Llanidloes. I found Mr. Pugh, apparently over 40 years old, of medium height, rather slight, with a pleasant and intelligent face. I told him I had heard of his great affliction and of his remarkable and almost miraculous relief, and that I had come to learn from his own lips, what there was of truth in the reports.

Mr. Pugh remarked that his neighbours had taken a kindly and sympathetic interest in his case for many years, but that their interest had been greatly awakened by a happy change in his condition. What you report as having heard abroad, said he, is substantially true, with one exception. I never understood that my case was ever given up as hopeless by any Physician.

"Valentine's in the drawing-room," he said. "Go and be gracious to him. I won't be more than a minute. Is there a good dinner?"

"Yes," said Dora faintly, "there's a good dinner."

Mr Cheshington disappeared again instantly, and she went on down to the drawing-room, dazed and like one in a dream.

Valentine was a City man she detected; also

wondered what could have possessed her husband to bring that odious man home to dinner. However, she was hostess, and must go and talk to him. How soon would Fred Loveson come? She kept listening for his knock. How would this strangely

amored party get on? Could she manage to bear herself decently?

Fred Loveson did not come, and dinner was announced just as Mr. Cheshington came into the drawing-room.

"He can't be coming now," thought Dora; "that letter must be to say he is engaged; and yet he is so often late." How I wish I knew what was in these letters, and who sent the telegram! Arthur looks anxious and strange; he is going to say it all to me as soon as this horrid man is gone!"

So, torn by her thoughts and fears, Dora went down to dinner on the arm of the horrid man!

Fred Loveson did not come. The dinner was not very good, for Dora, who was generally all brightness, could not speak for anxiety. She did not look at Mr. Cheshington. She listened for the familiar knock at the door during the first half of the dinner; then she sat, longing only to escape, with trembling hands. She knew she had plenty of time, for Valentine was not there, and Dora got to the drawing-room she would open those letters and know the worst. It was impossible to go on enduring such suspense.

It came at last, the happy moment when she might rise from the table and go upstairs by herself. The letters and the telegram were in her pocket. She took them out, and laid them before her with trembling hands. She knew she had plenty

of time, for Valentine was not there,

and Dora got a big thing on together. In fact, it was a gluton.

"I am going to bring Valentine home to dinner. I know you can't bear him, but be gracious for once. We have got a big thing on together."

"P.S.—Order a good dinner; V. is

rather a glutton. Dora's face turned white, and then flushed. Her heart began to sink within her, and now she was trembling with joy.

"That's all right, then!" she exclaimed.

"The telegram wasn't from him. Dear old Arthur!" Now what can be in this put Fred in such a state?

She took up Captain Loveson's letter; as she did so, she heard his knock at the front door. Hastily she tore open the envelope, determined to know all before he could present her.

He was coming up-stairs, two steps at a time. But Dora's quick eyes had read the letter before he reached the drawing-room; and when he opened it, she was standing up, eyes blazing, the letter open in her hand.

At this sight Captain Loveson faltered, and almost turned back. Six feet high, and brave as a lion, he felt himself helpless and weak as a child. Put the p's or wratch; he had written two letters, both to widow, and put them in the wrong envelope! How could the bravest man face such a sight!

"Go to your darling Minnie, Captain Loveson," said Dora, with an extraordinary salutation, which made her brother shudder, for her full eyes, and passionate reprobates of all kinds were very short-winded.

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